**Contenders Are Forced to Their Best Speed in Opening Round of National Tennis Championship at Forest Hills

RANKING PLAYERS EXTENDED AT NETS

R. N. Williams 2d Has Narrow Escape From Defeat in First Round.

DAVIS LOSES TWO SETS

Tilden Also Forced to His Best Speed by Lawrence B. Rice.

By SAMUEL J. BROOKMAN.

With a gallery of more than 3,000 ooking on the thirty-ninth annual lawn tennis championship of America opened on the courts of the West Side Tennis Club at Forest Hills yesterday minus any startling upsets but with every indi-cation that the leading contenders for the title will have no easy sailing in their advance toward the late rounds of the tournament. One of them, in fact, R. Norris Williams 2d, national champion in 1914 and 1916, had a mighty narrow escape from defeat, while several others were forced to yield sets or were carried into deuce games by opponents whom they figured to dispose of easily. All of which will add considerable interest to a tournament which already looms up as

After five hours of continuous play, during which every turf court was pressed into service, sixty-three in a field of 128 aspirants had been elim-inated. In other words, all but one of the first round matches had been completed. There were so many interesting contests going on simultaneously that the spectators scarcely knew which way to turn or how long to remain at any court to see most of the contenders in action. On the grand stand area four matches were contested for the benefit of those who preferred to view the leading attractions from reserved seats, and every one of them proved to be worth going far to

Hayes Defeated by Caner.

In the first of these feature matches Walter T. Hayes of Chicago, who was placed ninth on the ranking list a year ago, went down to defeat at the hands Colket Caner, the Massachusetts State champion, three sets out of four and to many the result came as an up-set. It was, so far as ranking goes, but the fact of the matter is that Hayes's tennis has been below par this year, whereas Caner has come to the front rapidly and has extended many of those who are rated near the top. Caner's victory was followed by a contest that furnished the real surprise of the day. It was played on the centre court, with R Norris Williams on one side of the net and Francis T. Hunter on the other. Hunter has been one of the most suc-cessful of the metropolitan tournament players this season, but there was no eason to expect him to give the Davis Rup team member and former national williams, however, revealed the same

uncertainty of stroke that has marked his tennis since his return from the international events in England and was extended to the limit to save his place in the draw. Just how narrow his escape was may be understood from the fact that, although he won the first filled and fourth sets, Hunter was seven times within a point of taking the first and twice within a point of the fourth. Had Hunter been able to come through with the necessary stroke in each of the sets mentioned the victory would have been his by a comfortable margin and one of the most sensational upsets of season would have gone on record. Williams's credit be it said that he tendied remarkably well in the pinches and found his best tennis when he

needed it most The excitement over Hunter's remarkable showing against Williams scarcely had subsided when it was aroused again by the fallure of Willis E. Davis of first three sets of his match with Theodore R. Pell, a player who was supposed to have seen his best days on the courts nearly a decade ago. The excessive heat appeared to have robbed the Pacific coast star of a great deal of his cusprisingly lacking in aggressiveness. He was depending on strategy rather than hard hitting, and Pell showed that when t came to a matter of skill he could hold his own. In the last two sets Davis speeded up a bit and earned his victory. but it was not so much his speed as the fact that Pell was tiring fast that selped the Pacific coast star out of his early difficulty. The match was the third of the day on the grandstand courts. It ended in a score of 4—6, 6—0,

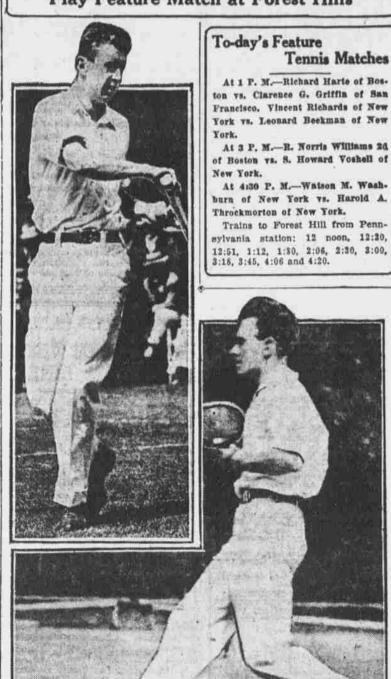
Tilden the Attraction.

The fourth of the leading attractions gave local tennis fans their first oppor-tunity of seeing William T. Tilden, 2d. since his victory in the Brit'sh cham-Tilden had drawn Lawrence B. Rice of Newton Centre, Mass., an aggressive, hard hitting racquet wielder, who was a finalist in the Longwood singles tournament recently. Most of those in the gallery knew little of the record and ability of Tilden's opponent and they were rather astonished to see him force the internationalist to travel at his best prevent the loss of a set. Tilden had every opportunity to bring his varied stroke assortment into play, for Rice by his forceful hitting fre-quently compelled the Davis cup star to would have escaped an ordinary player. Tilden was in good stroke and he manto win in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3. 2. launching most of his attack from court. It looked as though Tilden was concentrating upon his driving game forehand and backhand, for he to the forward court only when he had to, either to finish off a point or

to meet a short return.

outside court William M. Johnston of San Francisco, who is playing through in defence of his title, experienced no trouble against Carl Fischer of Philadelphia in the first two sets, but in the third he was carried along for eighteen games by the young University of Pennsylvania nman, who at one time was within two strokes of forcing the match into extra sets. Johnston's control slumped time that Fischer staged a sharp itting rally, marked by a swift net atack. The champion attempted to break hip the rally by forcing the youngster back with lobs, but Fischer was remarkably sure overhead and Johnston finally had to resort to his skill in passing his opponent after manusuvring for resition. The score of the match was 6-2, 6-3, 10-8. It was no such ordest

Play Feature Match at Forest Hills



R. Norris Williams 2d of Boston (at top) and Francis T. Hunter of New Rochelle.

returns from difficult angles that but the first set went to deuce games.

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much attention to speaking the built over the net, cross court, and he netted who had over the net, cross court, and he netted the ball often. The pace Hunter had set from the start was too fast under the torrid conditions to maintain the torrid conditions to maintain the third set. William and the simply had to let down in the third set. William and took advantage of the opportunity to bring all his skill into play, and for the first time in the match showed something of the form that won him two and the simply and the first time in the match showed something of the form that won him two and the corners for spectacular placements, outguessed his opponent in the third set. The part of the placements, outguessed his opponent in the placements, outguessed his opponent in the terminate and the corners for spectacular placements, outguessed his opponent in the placements, outguessed his appoint of the set. The placements, outguessed his opponent in the placemen

King Albert Presents Trophies in Belgian Stadium.

taff Correspondent of THE BUN AND NEW Your Hemals. Copyright, 1980, by The Sun and New York Hemald. ANTWERP, Belgium, Aug. 30 .- The

grand farewell of the athletes took place in the stadium here to-day and was embodied in the presentation of the prizes by King Albert of Belgium and the Crown Prince. These prizes

One of the most artistic of the challenge trophies fell to the lot of the navy crew for its victory in the eight-oared rowing event. It is a statue of Pallas the Athenian, and was donated by Count lympics, no matter where they may be held. The same donor presented the cup for the 1,500 meter swim, won by Norman Ross of the Illinois A. C. Miss Elleen Wiggins, the fourteen-year-old girl who won the high diving contest for women, was presented with the challenge vase donated by the Countess of Cass-Miranda.

There was only a scattering repreup in noise what they lacked in num-bers. They gave King Albert a cheer american yell, ending with "Albert! end of the argument. Albert! Albert!"

Brand Whitlock, the American Ambassinging. The King personally presented the medals to the winners of the first places. Crown Prince Leopold gave out he awards to the seconds and the young

The American water polo team was efeated by the Swedish team. score was Sweden 5 goals, United

Sprinter Kirksey Arrested.

station this afternoon by Belgian gen-darmes, who, unable to speak English, blocked Kirksey from entering the American dressing rooms at the Stadium. Kirksey had just returned with Charles W. Paddock of Los Angeles, another printer, from Paris for the medal presentations. He had tockets, but when he tried to enter the dressing rooms he was attacked by the gendarmes, who apparently had orders, which were unthat the rooms were to be used to-day only by football players.

first thrill from a big naval victory

Prospects are bright for a continuance of aquatic honors. Coach Dick Glendon has two more years at the academy under his present contract and is likely to stay for many more. Only two regulars, Capt. Graves, No. 2, and Jacomimi, bow, will be lost by graduation, Edward H. Moore of Ringgold, Va., rear, and is booked for crew captain. These have two more years of rowing: Jordan, No. 3; Sanborn, No. 5; Johnston, No. 6; Gallagher, No. 7; King, stroke, and Clark, coxswain, all of the other members of the Olympic squad have two or three more years at

pected to reach this country about Sep-tember 20, and the midshipmen will be given leave until October 1, when the next session of the academy begins.

WOMEN TENNIS STARS PLAY.

Strong Field Starts in Tournamen

Many of the women tennis players who within a fortnight will participate Belvue, b. c., by General Watte (Pitin the national tennis championship at Philadelphia made their appearance on the courts of the Rockaway Hunting Club at Cedarhurst yesterday in the club's annual invitation tournament.

Among them were Mrs. Franklin I. Mai-Among them were Mrs. Franklin I. Mailory, formerly Miss Molla Bjurstedt, who held the national title for a period of Worthy Chief, br. g. by Worthy Mcfive years up to 1919; Miss Corinne Gould of St. Louis, former national clay court champion; Miss Helen Baker and Miss Eleanor Tennant of California; Miss Leslie Baycroft and Miss Edith Sigourney of Boston and Miss Margaret Davis and Miss Marjorie Hires of Kansas City, as well as many other prominent players of the metropolitan district.

All of the women mentioned came cessfully, with the exception of Miss MILITARY RIFLEMEN COMPETE Miss Clare Cassel, 6—3. Miss Eleanor Goss of this city, second in national, took her first round match by default. By her defeat of Miss Margaret for the opening of the twenty-seventh Grove, 6—3. 6—3, Mrs. Mallory proved she will again have to be considered as a Jersey State Rifle Association. The first honors were carried off by Troop D. First.

as Williams had to face in his match with the match of the severe test by S. Howard Voshell, with the for the best of the contenders to keep going at their best contenders to keep going at their best one of the top ranking players of the metoning his first set from the first set

FOR AMERICANS HIGH LIGHTS AND SHADOWS IN ALL SPHERES OF SPORT

By DANIEL.

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TERE is one sporting event about which we emphatically refuse to become excited, and that is the coming meeting of Jack Dempsey who are to play in the national amateur HERE is one sporting event about which we emphatically refuse to Golf As and Billy Miske. If the bout, which is to be staged at Benton Har- championship next week at the Engibor, Mich., on Labor Day, is on the level Misks should be knocked out in reers' links to see that they are thorbor. Mich., on Labor Day, is on the level Misks should be knocked out in oughly familiar with the new interpretures rounds. At best the match is one which will not do the game any tations; otherwise situations are bound good, and which possesses great potentialities for harm. One of these is to arise which easily may lead to conthe danger of serious injury to Miske. We note that his manager announces fusion, congestion and needless waste consisted of firsts, seconds, thirds, along from day to day that "Billy is a new man," and that he has recovered com- of time and ruffling of tempers. with twenty special challenge trophies for the various competitions. That the hip and kidney trouble which forced him to lay off for more than a year. Any boxer who was in the shape in which Miske found to the weight, size or make of the ball need himself only six months ago has no business in the same ring with Demperature. plainly evident, for it would take a rail-road truck to cart off all the trophies local authorities who permit such a bout will be liable with the promoter and amateur definition safely can be left road truck to cart off all the trophies local authorities who permit such a bout will be liable with the promoter and amateur definition safely can be let won by the representatives of Uncle if any harm comes to Miske. However, it may be that no harm will come to the L. S. G. A. executive committee. What really is of vita the St. Paul heavyweight. In any event the bout will bear close watching.

occasions he went the limit—once ten rounds and then six. At this time the new stymic definition and then the there is some question as to whether Dempsey really tried to stop his man.

When Miske was asked to meet Dempsey in a Rad Cross benefit bout in the ball out of bounds and what to do When Miske was asked to meet Dempsey in a Red Cross benefit bout in in the event of an unplayable lie.

Madison Square Garden he said. "You could not drag me into the ring to According to Rule 6 of the old code." G. Brunetta d'Usseaux, and will be held Madison Square Garden he said, "You could not drag me into the ring to by the Annapolis crew until the 1924 fight that man again. He is positively murderous. He can knock out any boxer whom he chooses to knock out." Now we have that same Miske, fresh from a serious illness, going against the same old murderous Dempsey. Various conclusions may be formed therefrom.

Tilden Gains Friends, But Johnston Should Win.

With the opening of the national championship tournament the lawn nearly as possible at the spot from his clans gathered at Forest Hills yesterday for their annual powwow. tennis clans gathered at Forest Hills yesterday for their annual powwow. The general impression as voiced was that Johnston and Tilden would entation of each nation on the field at meet again in the final, but there was not the positiveness that there was the presentation ceremonies. The few last August that the Californian would be returned the winner over the ball must be dropped. lanky Philadelphian. Quite a number of the conservative element in the game who were on Johnston's side last summer have gone over to the such as royalty never got, it being the Tilden camp, but there still is a very appreciable squad on the champion's

This is Tilden's year if ever he had one, but those who think that Johnston will be beaten must remember this: the bigger the stake, the better the sador, was in the stand with King Al- showing on the part of the Californian. And when it comes to Johnston vs. bert. There was the usual exermony with military parade of flags and choral sign.

Tilden, Johnston has several strong allies, one of which may be the Indian first was lifted. An analysis of Johnston's record shows that the more formidable the of Rule 21, "if a ball be lost except in

opponent and the more important the need for success the stronger will water, casual water, or out of bounds he become. Put him into a final for a national title and he is Triumph personified. He makes few errors. And he has a great system. Those behind Tilden say that his game is a mystery—that you never can tell what a penalty of one stroke." By the old Prince Charles gave the medals to the personified. He makes few errors. And he has a great system. he is going to do, while you can anticipate Johnston's shots. Perhaps that code the player losing the ball autois true. But we did not notice that this made any difference in their meetmatically lost the hole, unless it was ing last year. Unless Johnston slumps badly he is good enough for us for ing last year. Unless Johnston slumps badly he is good enough for us for another final.

No matter who wins it is going to be a great tournament, and we look M. M. Kirksey of San Francisco, one for new attendance records. The general class of the big field is better than of the American sprinters, was assaulted, handcuffed and taken to the police who is reported to be playing great tennis up around Niagara Falls, where he is too busy to take a vacation.

Trite Comment on Topics of the Day.

Charley Ebbets announces that the Dodgers are willing to face the pitching of Mays in the world's series. Important if it eventuates.

It is suggested that the Yankees call their new field the Roosevelt Stadium. We would rather that a municipal athletic plant ready to hold the Olympic games of 1924 be given that name.

Coincident with women's suffrage comes the threat of a female victor

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ANNAPOLIS, Md., Aug. 30.—Football Coach Bob Folwell reached Annapolis this after-noon and will take charge of the practice of the big new class to-morrow. He will only spend a week here this time and will return to his New Jersey farm for about the same period. After that he will come to Annapolis to remain during the entire season. The main regued will report on September 20 and in the meantime Folwell will have had some emporturity of signs up the new runs. the oarsmen, with Coach Glendon and the second heat of the Horsebreeder others with them, will be given a great reception when they return. The 800 in the initial heat, but on account of in the initial heat, but on account of members of the new fourth class, the only midshipmen here, received their second place and the heat awarded to second place and the heat awarded to Nelson Dillon.

The historic Neponset Stake for 2:06 pacers was the only event finished on to-day's programme, rain falling in torrents just after Will Crozier, substituting for Tom Murphy, had won the deciding heat with John Henry. Walter Cox captured the first heat of

the Boston Globe Stake for three-year-No. 4, is the only first class man next old trotters, with the great Miss Morris, but his filly went to a wild break the second time out and was distanced. Five races and the two unfinished events on to-day's card will be up for decision to-morrow. The summary:

decision to-morrow. And the Merce 10 to the Neponset-2:06 pace: purse \$3,000: John Henry, b. s., by Wilkoe (Crozler) 1 1 Edna Early, br. m., by the Wolverine (Valentine) 2 2 Erther R., b. m., by Baronward King 3 3 Minor Hal, ch. h., by Eddle Hal (L. Hrusico 4 4
Iriah Voter, b. g., by John A. McKerron 7
(Noble)
Pen Earl, Doc Burgess and Peter Elllott also started.
Time—2:02%, 2:05%.

Horse Breeder Futurity-Two-year-old trot; purse \$2,500:
Bogaiusa, ch. c., by General Watts
(Valentine)
Nelson Dillon, b. c., by Dillon-Axworthy

SEA GIRT, N. J., Aug. 30 .- Rifle teams serious contender for the American honors were carried off by Troop D, First Massachusetts Cavalry, which won the cavalry team match with a score of The first team of the New Jersey

Machine Gun Troop made second place with 332 and the second feam of this organization took third with Troop D, First New Jersey Cavalry, took fourth place, with 368 points, and Troop D. First New York Cavalry, fifth place The cavalry match was shot at 200

and 600 yards in stages one hour Davis apart. The Sixth infantry, composed of North

Jersey troops, to-day won the Columbia trophy match, a team event, with a vial score of 1,302. The Third infantry was second, with 1,294. The First New Jersey cavalry won third place, with 1.234, the second team of the same

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NEW GOLF RULES **COMING INTO EFFECT**

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By KERR N. PETRIE.

The new rules of the United States

tive committee. What really is of vital interest to the players at this moment

According to Rule 6 of the old code a ball had to be played wherever it lay or the hole given up, except under certain conditions or otherwise as specified in local rules. Now Rule 6 says: "A ball may be lifted from any place on the course under penalty of stroke and distance. If a player lift a ball in accordance with the rule he had believed. so lifted was played from the teeing ground the player may tee a ball for his next stroke. In every other case the

Change in Rule 11.

Rule 11, medal play, has been changed to read the same as Rule 8, match play. Heretofore in medal play there was a penalty of two strokes for a lift, but the player was allowed to tee up the second ball behind the place from which the

the player shall return as nearly as pos ball also had been lost, in which event the hole was declared halved. For medal play the lost ball rule not is the same as in match play. There is

his ball playing 'through the green' of from a hazard" the player was allowed to return as near as possible to the spot from which the ball was struck and "tee up" under penalty of one stroke.

There is nothing so very complicated about the out of bounds rule that it should cause trouble. If a ball is out of bounds the player is required to make his next shot as nearly as possible at the spot from which the ball was played, under penalty of stroke and distance. If the ball is played out of bounds from the tee the next ball may be teed. Under the old rule the player lost dis-

Harlemite Takes Every Round in Fast Bout in Armory A. A.

Willie Jackson, the Harlem light-weight, last night outpointed Gene Del-NEW LONDON, Conn., Aug. 30.—T. D. Armour, the Scottish golf champion, who is practising here for the amateur championship at Roslyn next week, played brilliant golf here to-day. He and Alex Smith, the professional, were victorious in a four ball match over Louis Teilier and Douglas Edgar by 2 up and 1 to play. mont, Southerner, in a fast twelve round bout in the Armory A. A. of Jersey City. Jackson carried off the honors in every round. Despite the fact that the Harlemite sent many hard right handers to his opponent's head, Jackson was unable to bring his rival to the canvas. Jackson had an advantage in height, weight and reach. This handicap, how-SIOUX CITY, Iowa, Aug. 30.—Ted Ray and larry Vardon, English champions, won an shibition match to-day on the country club inks from R. E. Knepper, Iowa champion, a amateur, and Mike Shearman, Sloux City. ever, did not prevent his smaller on time. Delmont proved himself a game two handed fighter and received a great Ray sank a forty foot putt on the fourteenth green for a birdle 2, winning the match. evation when he left the ring.

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